IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI WESTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)
Plaintiff,)
v.) Criminal Action No.
JESUS JOSE PIZARRO-ROBLES,) 08-00141-01-CR-W-NKL)
Defendant.)

MEMORANDUM OF MATTERS DISCUSSED AND ACTION TAKEN AT PRETRIAL CONFERENCE

Pursuant to the order of the Court en banc of the United States District Court for the Western District of Missouri, a pretrial conference was held in the above-entitled cause before me on September 17, 2008. Defendant Pizarro-Robles appeared in person and with Anita Burns. The United States of America appeared by Assistant United States Attorney Kate Mahoney.

I. BACKGROUND

On June 3, 2008, an indictment was returned charging Defendant with one count of possession with the intent to distribute methamphetamine, in violation of 21 U.S.C. §§ 841(a)(1) and (b)(1)(B), and one count of fraud and misuse of visa, permits, and other documents, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1546(a).

The following matters were discussed and action taken during the pretrial conference:

II. TRIAL COUNSEL

Ms. Mahoney announced that she will be the trial counsel for the government. The case agent to be seated at counsel table Mark King, Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

Ms. Burns announced that she will be the trial counsel for Defendant Pizarro-Robles.

Investigator Julie Eilers may also attend.

III. OUTSTANDING MOTIONS

There are two pending motions in this case:

- (1) Defendant's Motion in Limine (Doc. No. 16), filed 09/12/08; and
- (2) Defendant's Motion for Order for Subpoena (Doc. No. 19), filed 09/12/08.

IV. TRIAL WITNESSES

Ms. Mahoney announced that the government intends to call 7-8 witnesses without stipulations or 6-7 witnesses with stipulations during the trial.

Ms. Burns announced that Defendant Pizarro-Robles intends to call 1 witness during the trial.

Defendant may testify.

V. TRIAL EXHIBITS

Ms. Mahoney announced that the government will offer approximately 5 exhibits in evidence during the trial.

Ms. Burns announced that Defendant Pizarro-Robles will offer approximately 1 exhibit in evidence during the trial.

VI. DEFENSES

Ms. Burns announced that Defendant Pizarro-Robles will rely on the defense of general denial.

VII. POSSIBLE DISPOSITION

Ms. Burns stated this case is definitely for trial.

VIII. STIPULATIONS

Stipulations are likely as to chain of custody and chemist's reports.

IX. TRIAL TIME

Counsel were in agreement that this case will take 2 days to try.

X. EXHIBIT LIST, VOIR DIRE AND INSTRUCTIONS

The U. S. Magistrate Judge ordered:

That, in addition to the requirements of the Stipulations and Orders filed June 13, 2008, counsel for each party file and serve a list of exhibits she intends to offer in evidence at the trial of this case on the form entitled Exhibit Index and have all available exhibits premarked using the stickers provided by the Clerk of Court by September 17, 2008;

That counsel for each party file and serve requested jury voir dire examination questions by or before noon, Wednesday, September 24, 2008;

That counsel for each party file and serve, in accordance with the requirements of Local Rule 51.1, requested jury instructions¹ by or before noon, Wednesday, September 24, 2008. Counsel are requested to provide proposed jury instructions in both hard copy form, as required by Local Rule 51.1, and by e-mail to the trial judge's courtroom deputy.

XI. UNUSUAL QUESTIONS OF LAW

A motion in limine has been filed regarding the admissibility of a confidential informant's statement through police officers. There are no unusual questions of law.

XII. TRIAL SETTING

All counsel and Defendant were informed that this case will be listed for trial on the joint criminal jury trial docket which commences on September 29, 2008. A Spanish-speaking interpreter is required.

¹Counsel in all cases assigned to be tried before Chief Judge Fernando Gaitan, Jr., as reflected in the trial letter which is prepared by Judge James England, shall meet and prepare a packet of agreed proposed jury instructions to be submitted to Judge Gaitan and e-mailed to marylynn_shawver@mow.uscourts.gov and rhonda_enss@mow.uscourts.gov by Friday, September 26, 2008. To the extent there are disagreements to certain instructions, each attorney shall tab and submit his or her preference on those instructions. The instructions shall be listed in the order they are to be given.

/s/ Robert E. Larsen

ROBERT E. LARSEN U. S. Magistrate Judge

Kansas City, Missouri September 17, 2008

cc: The Honorable Nanette K. Laughrey

Ms. Kate Mahoney Ms. Anita Burns Mr. Jeff Burkholder